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Dear Mr. Jedd:

This letter is in response to the telephone conversation with Mr. Jim Strong regarding the status of the UMC Ind Inc OKT Colson Div (ILD005071170) site in Illinois.

This site has a "No Further Remedial Action Planned" (NFRAP) status for further evaluation under the Superfund Site Assessment program. Enclosed are copies of correspondence from 1989 which document that a determination was made not to proceed with a Screening Site Inspection due to the fact that chromium was not present at the facility. Chromium had been noted in the Preliminary Assessment as a potential hazard and this was based on incorrect information provided by Colson Company on its RCRA Part A application in 1980.

In response to Mr. Strong's request to delete the site from the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Information System (CERCLIS) database, sites are not deleted since this is a historical record of all activities performed by USEPA in evaluation of potential hazardous waste sites. The presence of a site on CERCLIS should not be interpreted as confirmation of environmental problems, but only that the site will be or was evaluated by the USEPA. USEPA does reserve the right to revisit sites which are determined NFRAP, if new critical information is provided to the Agency which would warrant further evaluation.

We hope this responds to your request and if additional information is needed, please contact me at (312) 886-0390. Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Alan Altur  
Site Assessment Manager for Illinois  
Office of Superfund

Enclosures

cc: W. Messenger, SAS

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